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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 2728

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PK, AF

SUBJECT: AFGHAN CONCERN OVER EVENTS IN PAKISTAN

REF: ISLAMABAD 2498 AND 2723, STATE 47092

1. AFGHAN AMB POPAL TOLD ME LAST NIGHT THAT HE HAD  
BEEEN VERY FAVORABLY IMPRESSED BY PRES BHUTTO' S ADDRESS  
TO NATION ON MARCH 29. HE SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS CON-  
CILIATORY AND I ASSUME THAT HE REPORTED IN THE VEIN  
TO KABUL.

2. POPAL SAID HE KNEW I HAD SEEN BHUTTO EVENING MARCH  
28, I. E. SEVERAL HOURS AFTER POPAL' S LAST CONVERSATION  
WITH ME AND THE DAY BEFORE BHUTTO' S SPEECH TO NATION.  
POPAL SAID HE SUSPECTED THAT BHUTTO MIGHT BE REFLECTING  
SOME OF MY SENTIMENTS. I SAID BHUTTO IS SURELY MAN TO  
SPEAK FOR HIMSELF. I ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME OF MATTERS  
TOUCHED IN BHUTTO' S SPEECH HAD COME UP BRIEFLY AT OUR  
MEETING PREVIOUS DAY, BUT IN MY OPINION TONE AND CONTENT  
OF BHUTTO' S SPEECH REFLECTED HIS OWN DESIRE TO FIND  
PEACEFUL SOLUTION FOR PAKISTAN' S PROBLEMS AT HTME AND  
ABROAD ( INCLUDING RELATIONS WITH AFGHANISTAN).

I ALSO NOTED THAT RGA PUBLIC STATEMENT ON PAKISTAN  
AND BALUCHISTAN HAD COME TO MY ATTENTION IN THE HOURS  
BETWEEN MY CONVERSATION WITH POPAL AND MY MEETING WITH  
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BHUTTO LAST WEEK, AND THAT I HAD SUBSEQUENTLY CONSIDERED  
IT INADVISABLE TO RAISE QUESTION OF AFGHANISTAN POINTEDLY  
WITH BHUTTO. POPAL SAID HE UNDERSTOOD.  
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